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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Hiroo MATSUNAGA, Takeshi HAMACHI  
and Miyoji KISHIMOTO entitled "VULCANIZATION PROCESS  
FOR PNEUMATIC TIRE AND MOLD THEREFOR"  
Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION  
Our Reference: Q65011



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto for filing are the application papers identified above comprising thirteen (13) sheets of the specification, including the claims and an Abstract of the Disclosure, seven (7) sheet(s) of drawings, an executed Assignment and Form PTO-1595, and an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. A Preliminary Amendment is also submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows, after entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment:

Total claims	<u>10</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>0</u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>0</u>
Base Fee									\$740.00

<b>TOTAL FILING FEE DUE</b>	<b>\$740.00</b>
Assignment Recordation Fee	\$ 40.00
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED</b>	<b>\$780.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 and Assignment Recordation Fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge any difference or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

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Priority is claimed from:

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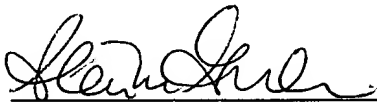
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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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